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Mesoamerica Program Newsletter



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Panama Bolsters Preparedness for Migration Crisis with the Support of IOM

The Mesoamerican region experienced a migration crisis in 2016 with the arrival of more than 25 thousand migrants from the Caribbean, Asia and Africa. [Read More](#)

The Mesoamerica Program Supports Efforts by the Workgroup on Comprehensive Protection for Children in San Pedro de Sula, Honduras

Since March 2017, the Mesoamerica Program has had a permanent presence, in San Pedro de Sula, Honduras' second-biggest city and an area of high migration flows. [Read More](#)

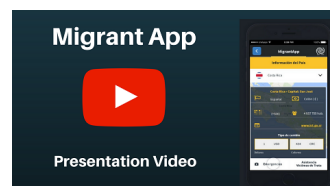


Highlights



Experts in Emergencies are trained on Assistance to Migrants in Crisis Situations. [Read More](#)

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E-Learning Platform



Panama Drafts its National Plan against Human Trafficking

On 28 and 29 June, the National Commission against Human Trafficking held a technical meeting to prepare a National Plan against Human Trafficking for 2017-2022, and to review the Action Protocol for the Unit for the Identification of and Assistance to Victims of Human Trafficking and the Model for the Identification of and Assistance to Victims of Human Trafficking. [Read More](#)

Information Hubs Expand their Reach to Border Zone Schools and Institutions

There are now 10 information hubs operating in the Mesoamerican region with the support of the IOM, with one opening last month in Chinandega, Nicaragua. The Mesoamerica Program, together with the national and local authorities of each country, has established these posts in the border areas of Panama, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Mexico. [Read More](#)



Completion of the 2017 Specialized Course on Migrant Children in the Region

More than 300 government officials (from migration services, institutes for children and adolescents, consulates, the police and elsewhere) and civil society organizations from the Mesoamerican region successfully completed the Specialized Course on Migrant Children, developed by the IOM, between April and June 2017. [Read More](#)



Boosting Young People's Knowledge and Techniques on Regional Migration Issues

The majority of migrants from the region are young. That reality is why the IOM has held training workshops on migration and youth, in which more than 100 young people from the Mesoamerica region have taken part so far, to learn of the specific risks they and others their age face when migrating irregularly. [Read More](#)



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